



St. John Vianney

PARISH COMMUNITY

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Building God's Community: As disciples of Jesus Christ, we the members of **St. John Vianney Parish** join together to proclaim God's Word, celebrate the sacraments, and serve others with compassion and generosity.

JOINING OUR PARISH

We welcome all who seek a spiritual home in our Catholic community. Introduce yourself to the pastor and he will help you join our parish.

If you are not baptized, or are baptized in another Christian tradition and seek full communion with the Catholic Church, consider the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults process. It begins with inquiry sessions in which you can ask questions and discuss issues with other seekers. The process continues with opportunities for learning and spiritual transformation. The RCIA also serves baptized Catholics who did not have the opportunity to receive Holy Communion and Confirmation. The Director of Religious Education will help you start.

BAPTISM

If you are parents seeking baptism for your child, please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass. He wishes to meet you in person before making an appointment for baptism preparation.

MARRIAGE

Our pastor invites engaged couples to make an appointment with him at least six months prior to marriage, before setting a wedding date. Couples are welcome to call as soon as you decide to marry or even while you are still considering whether to go forward toward marriage.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at Corpus Christi Church: 4:15–4:45 PM
Sunday at St Pius X Church: 9:10–9:25 AM
or by appointment.

PASTORAL TEAM:

Rev. Michael J. Kirwin, Ph.D.: *Pastor*
Deacon Edwin L. Salva, Sr.: *Permanent Deacon*
JoAnn Wilbur: *Director of Religious Education*
jwilbursjv@comcast.net
Heather Clendenning: *Director of Music Ministry*
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: ppc@stjvp.org

Janice Bevacqua
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Rick Toth
Secretary
Lynn Volk
Chairperson

FINANCE COUNCIL: finance@stjvp.org

MASSES OF THE WEEK

| | | <u>Location</u> | <u>Mass Intention:</u> | <u>Requested by:</u> |
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| Saturday | 8-26 | 5:00 p.m. (C.C.) | Anthony & Kathryn Bliss | Family |
| Sunday | 8-27 | 8:00 a.m. (C.C.) | Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish | |
| | | 9:30 a.m. (S.P.) | Ronna Salansky | The Altar & Rosary Society |
| | | 11:00 a.m. (C.C.) | Mike Teeple | Ford Family |
| Monday | 8-28 | 8:30 a.m. (C.C.) | Helen Delores Kapinus | Mr. & Mrs. Alex Maciaszek |
| Tuesday | 8-29 | 8:30 p.m. (C.C.) | Susan Muzzi | Shirley Garrick |
| Wednesday | 8-30 | 8:30 a.m. (C.C.) | Joseph Uhrin | Tom & Bob |
| Thursday | 8-31 | 8:30 a.m. (C.C.) | Patricia Govan | Shirley Phillips |
| Friday | 9-01 | 8:30 a.m. (C.C.) | Thomas Bosak | Tom, Patti & Gina |
| Saturday | 9-02 | 5:00 p.m. (C.C.) | Joseph Harry Hopfer | Family |
| Sunday | 9-03 | 8:00 a.m. (C.C.) | Living & Deceased Members of St. John Vianney Parish | |
| | | 9:30 a.m. (S.P.) | Dr. Joseph Lopatofsky | Susan |
| | | 11:00 a.m. (C.C.) | Yolanda Paris | Andrew & Lois Mallick |

Liturgical Ministers' Schedule

September 2-3, 2017

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| 5:00p | K. Kolucki N. Kolucki | B. Cassaro | J. Straub E. Piccini J. Piccini |
| 8:00a | B. Bevilacqua B. Good | G. Borosky | P. Griffiths G. Hallesky |
| 9:30a | J. Gesford (St. Pius) N. Baker | R. Totten | E. Totten L. Drum |
| 11:00a | M. Muraski L. Osburn | B. Faccini | A. Swarts M. J. Oakley M. L. Racht |

Wisdom: God's Vision for Life Mondays - 6:30 - Parish Office

By Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith Scripture and the Tradition of the Catholic Church provide an abundance of wisdom, though it can often be challenging to apply it to our lives. In this study, Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith examine biblical wisdom as it relates to daily life. Drawing on the wisdom literature of the Bible—Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes—*Wisdom* will teach you how to actively seek out sound guidance and increase your sense of peace in navigating life. In everything from friendships to finances, from making decisions to attaining peace of mind, Scripture offers a vision for happiness and well-being. With this program, you will learn how to gather, gain, and grow in wisdom, and you will experience the joy it brings to your life. Call JoAnn to register: 254-9502 ext. 3

In this program, you will:

- Discover what wisdom is (and what it isn't!)
- Learn new habits for increasing wisdom in your daily life
- Gain confidence, through role models and practice, in living according to God's vision

WOMEN'S PREACHED RETREAT

September 8-10, 2107 Women's Preached Retreat, St. Gabriel's Passionist Retreat Center, 631 Griffin Pond Road, Clarks Summit. Directed by Rev Richard Nalepa, CP, of St. Paul's Monastery. Registration is 7:00 pm Friday Evening. Begins at 7:30 pm and Departure is after the Noon meal on Sunday. (No meals are served Friday evening.) Preached retreats consist of conferences on the spiritual life, time for personal reflection, prayer service, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Liturgy. A deposit is required. For more information, please call the Retreat Office: 570 586-4957 or email kporter@epix.net.



MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"By Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net"

How wise, knowledgeable and beyond human understanding are the ways of God. (Romans 11:33-36) When in the throes of love one's spouse may seem to also have these qualities. What intellectual trait is your beloved strongest in? What about yourself?

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

First Friday Masses will be held at 8:30a.m. in Corpus Christi Church. The one hour devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will begin with Eucharist and close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Jesus appeared to St. Margaret Mary and revealed to us the wonder and beauty of God's love. We set Fridays aside as the day our Lord offered Himself for us on the Cross to call to mind God's love, mercy and sacrifice. Please join us.



6th GRADE TEACHER NEEDED

Our Religious Education program begins on September 10. We are still in need of a teacher for 6th grade at Corpus Christi. The teacher manuals offer clear directions for the volunteer teacher. If you love the Lord and can read, you can do it! You are helped and supported. Call JoAnn at 254-9502 ext. 3 with any questions.



Grief support services

When you are grieving the loss of a spouse, child, or another person who is dear to you, grief support services can help. Some parishes in our area, as well as other parishes in the diocese and hospice organizations, offer support groups and one-on-one grief support. For information about grief support services and who to contact, visit our parish website and find the Support Services page under the Connect button. You will also find a link to additional bereavement resources and information about post-abortion healing.

Let us pray

If you like to reflect on Scripture, you will find each day's Readings on both "Grow in faith" and a couple Worship subpages of our parish website, stjvp.org. In the left column of the "Worship and pray with us" page is a "Prayer Resources" feature which changes seasonally. A list of our sick and home-bound parishioners appears in the Home page news feed every week so you can pray for them.

HOMEBOUND, HOSPITALIZED OR IN A NURSING HOME

If a parishioner is unable to attend Mass on a regular basis due to illness, hospitalization, or in a nursing home, please call the Parish Office (254-9502) and notify us. Please understand we can not rely on hospitals to inform us when our parishioners are hospitalized. We have several volunteers who bring Communion on a weekly basis to homebound parishioners. The Pastor visits with our homebound, hospitalized and those in nursing homes on an as-needed basis.

Thank you

Thank you to the whole parish for the prayers, masses and food in my time of need. Now that I am better, maybe we can help someone else.

God Bless You,
Robert M. Baker & Family

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith? Do you need any Sacraments like Communion or Confirmation?

Are you searching for...

A deeper relationship with God?
A sense of belonging in a faith community?
A greater fulfillment of your mission in life?

Have you been curious...

Ever wonder about the differences between the Catholic and Protestant Bibles?

Ever wonder why priests cannot marry?

Or women are not ordained?

Ever wonder how Catholics relate to Mary and the saints?

Ever wonder about the Catholic moral life or what Catholics believe about same-sex marriage, homosexuality, or contraception, and why?

Get answers to your questions about the Catholic faith.

COME JOIN US. You do not have to journey alone!

Please give JoAnn a call if you have any questions or would like further information: **254-9502** or email at **Jwilibursjv@comcast.net**.

Join Us for a Special Designer Purse Bingo Fundraiser

To benefit the Wiktor Family: Mike, Judy and their daughter Michaelene to help cover the cost of medical expenses for her Lupus and Leukemia treatments. Saturday, September 16th Games start at 5:30 p.m. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. Visitation of the BVM Parish Center (In the School), 625 Dundaff Street, Dickson City, PA 18519 Admission \$25.00 includes 20 Games All Prizes are Top Name Designers with a minimum retail value of \$175.00 and up! There will be Specials, 50/50, A Basket Raffle, food and beverages. Two floors of Bingo, handicapped accessible. For tickets or information call 570-489-2091. You can visit or mail your request for tickets along with payment to the parish office at 1090 Carmalt St., Dickson City, PA 18519.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If you attend Mass at St. John Vianney Parish and aren't registered, please consider becoming a registered member of our Parish Family. Any adult child of the parish that has turned twenty-one is asked to register independently from his or her parents/guardians. Since many families don't keep the parish up to date on their children's status, if we have not been notified, we can only assume the adult children have moved away and no longer are members. If you are unsure of your registration status, please call or email the parish office (254-9502 cccrc402@comcast.net).

Memorial Service for Aborted Children at St. Lucy's Prayer Garden

On Saturday, September 9, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the fourth annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Solemn vigils will be held at these sites to commemorate the more than 55 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child. Please join us for the memorial service in our community:

Event: National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children

When: Saturday, September 9, 11 a.m.

Where: St. Lucy's Catholic Church, 949 Scranton St. in Scranton

More Info: Call Pennsylvanians for Human Life at 570-343-5099, email: email@prolifescranton.org

Together let us remember the victims of abortion and pray for a final end to this injustice in our land during the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Were you asked to be a Sponsor for a Baptism or Confirmation?

When one is asked to be a Sponsor, normally the parish where the Sacrament will be received will ask the proposed Catholic Sponsor for a form from their parish. The reason a form is requested is so that the parish where the Sacrament will be received, knows that the sponsor is qualified for the role. Anyone wishing to receive a Sponsor Certificate from our parish is to speak to Fr. Michael in person after they attend Mass

PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING

Every week our collection is counted by at least three parishioner volunteers. It takes an average of three hours to count the collections and prepare the deposit. There is a team that counts on Sundays and a team that counts on Monday mornings. Each team counts every other week. Please consider volunteering for this very important service for your parish. If you would like more information, please call Tina at 254-9502.

PARISH COLLECTION

August 12-13, 2017

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| Adults | \$ 3,382.00 | 190/572 |
| Children | \$ 135.50 | 28/237 |
| Loose | \$ 517.15 | |
| Other | \$ 350.00 | |
| Total Collection | \$ 4,384.65 | |

Thank you for your continued support
of our Parish Community.

Don't forget about e-giving: If you are traveling this summer, consider e-giving. Go to: e-giving.org/stjohnvianneyparish or our parish website: www.stjvp.org

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Special Instructions: